(i) NAM Experts' Group Meeting on Population held in Bali, Indonesia from July 18—21, 1993.

(ii) NAM Experts' Group Meeting on Development Schemes to be held in Jakarta from September 13—16, 1993.

(iii) Meeting of Food and Agriculture Ministers of NAM countries in Indonesia in October, 1993.

(iv) Meeting of Population Ministers of NAM countries in November, 1993.

Government of India has actively participated in the follow-up activities of the SMC to promote the objectives of the meeting.

Fuel linkage to the Diesel Power Station, Reni Gunta

@@@4155C. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh or A.P.S.E.B. has sent a proposal to the Central Government for sanction of fuel linkage to the Diesel Power Station at Reni Gunta; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) LSHS is a de-canalised item and APSEB can make its own arrangements for import of LSHS to meet its requirements.

@@@Previously Unstarred question 3817, transferred from 24-8-93.

License for Foreign Hard Liquor Manufacturers

$4155-D. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have licenced foreign hard liquor manufacturer to manufacture their products in collaboration with Indian breweries; if so, the number of such foreign liquor manufacture licenced by Government;

(b) whether these foreign investors are allowed to use their trade names; and

(c) whether these Foreign companies would be allowed to advertise their products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOI) : (a) Three foreign companies have been granted approval to set up joint ventures for manufacture of superior quality blended whisky and locally bottled scotch in collaboration with Indian partners. The joint ventures shall use the existing licenced capacity of their respective Indian partners.

(b) There is no specific indication to this effect in the approval letters granted to them. However, after the issue of Press Note No. 6 dated 14-5-92, regarding removal of prohibition on use of foreign brand names/trade marks for domestic sales, the use of foreign trade name is to be regulated accordingly.

(c) This would be regulated by the existing Government policy on the subject.

$Previously Unstarred question 4230, transferred from 26-8-93.

Survey Conducted by Indian Council of Medical Research

$$4155-E. SHRI RAM DEO BHANDARI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a nation-wide survey conducted by the Indian Council of Medical Research (TCMR) has revealed high levels of a cancer causing fungal product, aflatonia, in some cereals, high levels of pesticide residues in Bovine Milk and the metals Arsenic, cadmium and lead in infant formula, canned fruit products and turmeric;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the presence of such elements in such articles is highly dangerous to the health of consumers; and

(c) if so, what steps Government intend to take to ensure that such elements are not present in food?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) The report indicates that—

(i) Out of 2,352 samples of cereals analysed for the presence of aflatoxin, 556 were found to exceed the permissible limits of 30 ppb. laid down under PFA Rules, 1955.